

June 2 Election FAQs

Q: What is the date for the Presidential Primary Election?

A: June 2

Q: What is the safest way to vote?

A: To reduce the risk of spreading the novel coronavirus, voters are strongly encouraged to vote by mail. The State Board of Elections will mail all eligible voters a ballot. No postage is needed to return your ballot – you will get a postage paid envelope with your ballot.

Q: Do voters need to request an absentee ballot?

A: No. The State Board of Elections will mail all voters a ballot to the address listed in the voter registration record.

Q: How do voters know if they are registered to vote?

A: You can check to see if you are registered or how you might be registered at:

<https://voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/VoterSearch>. If you do not have internet access, call 1-800-222-8683 and ask a State Board of Elections representative to check your registration.

Q: Can I request that a ballot be delivered to me online?

A: If you would prefer to get a ballot to print offline or a ballot mailed to a different address than where you are registered to vote, you can complete an absentee ballot application at:

<https://voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/OnlineVoterRegistration/InstructionsStep1>. Voters will be required to print a ballot and mail it back to the Board of Elections Office.

Q: When will the ballots be mailed to all active, registered voters?

A: The vendor will be sending the ballots in early May.

Q: How do I return my voted ballot?

A: All ballots will have instructions for how to make sure your voted ballot is returned to the Carroll County Board of Elections Office. A postage paid return envelope will be enclosed. The sealed envelope can be put in the mail OR it can be dropped off in one of our drop boxes beginning May 21. More details are to come regarding hours and days that drop boxes will be available. All returned ballots must have a post mark of June 2 or earlier.

Q: Where will the ballot drop boxes be located?

A: Westminster Senior Activities Center 125 Stoner Avenue Westminster, South Carroll Swim Club 1900 W Liberty Road Westminster, Carroll County Board of Elections Robert Moton Building 300 S Center Street Westminster.

Q: What does limited in-person voting mean?

A: If a voter is unable to vote by mail, on June 2, the Westminster Senior Activities Center and South Carroll Swim Club will be open for in-person voting from 7am-8pm. All CDC guidelines regarding social distancing will be followed and there will be line management. Same Day Registration will also be available. It is important to follow the Governor's advice to vote your ballot in the mail if at all possible.

Q: Will electioneers be able to campaign at the ballot drop off sites and vote centers?

A: Yes, they must follow the 100' guideline.

Q: Will Challengers and Watchers be allowed in the vote centers?

A: Yes, we are planning to set up a live stream cam at the check-in stations of each vote center so that we can abide by the social distancing guidelines in person.

Q: When will ballots be unsealed from their envelopes and tabulated?

A: The process will begin on May 21. It will be live streamed on our social media, website and through the local news channels. By 5pm each day, we will post through social media and on our website if ballot tabulation will occur the next day. We will not be providing results until June 2 at 8pm after the in person voting locations have closed. The tabulation process could continue through at least June 12.

Q: How will the Board of Elections make sure that a person who has already returned a ballot won't also vote in person?

A: The electronic pollbooks will have recorded who has returned their ballot up to that day.

Q: How will voters know that their ballot will be counted?

A: You can check that your ballot was counted on the State Board of Elections' website at <https://voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/VoterSearch>. If you do not have internet access, call 1-800-

222-8683 and ask a State Board of Elections representative to check the status of your voted ballot. The information will be posted about 10 days after the election.